

# UNITIVE REASONING

## Samkhya Yoga



I OFFER MY PRANAAMS AT THE LOTUS FEET OF BHAGVAN BABA (KRISHNA)

*Samkhya Yoga - the analytical study of the nature of spirit and matter*

## CHAPTER 2 FLOWCHARTS

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॥ मा मनस्मिन् प्रवृध्यते ॥

**Based on teachings of Bhagvad gita Study by Bhakti  
Caitanya Swami.**

# Gita -

Selfish karma

Chapter 1  
Kauravas

Through the practice of nishkāma karma yoga  
(Unselfish)

Chapter 2

There is an increase of knowledge.  
with knowledge of **the soul as distinct from matter,**

Fifth chapter how it should increase up to the level of the Supersoul,  
as the person advances in  
**working in the detached spirit, for liberation,  
with good association.**

Chapter 5

but when his knowledge increases and  
he understands how the material world is running,  
and that **there is a higher controller,** as seen in the fifth chapter,  
**then he develops a consciousness of the Supersoul**

When one performs  
nishkāma karma  
yoga **on the level of  
knowledge of the  
soul only,** then he  
tends to remain  
impersonal,

In the sixth chapter the idea that the Supersoul is an expansion of  
Krishna will be introduced, and then finally that one should relate  
with Krishna through bhakti.

Chapter 6



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# Chapter 2 : **SANKHYA YOGA** {46 Slokas / Verses}

## **IMPORTANT VERSES FROM CHAPTER 1 AND 2:**

1.1, **2.7**, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, 24, 40, 41,  
44, 45, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64.

Particularly: 12, 13, 14, 20, 22, 40, 41, 44, 59, 62, 63.

## The number of Slokas (Verses ) in each chapter

	Dhrutarastra	Sanjaya	Arjuna	Krishna	Total Verses
CHAPTER 1	1	25	21	1 Sentence part of sloka 25	47
CHAPTER 2		3	6	63	72
CHAPTER 3			3	40	43
CHAPTER 4			1	41	42
CHAPTER 5			1	28	29
CHAPTER 6			5	42	47
CHAPTER 7				30	30
CHAPTER 8			2	26	28
CHAPTER 9				34	34
CHAPTER 10			7	35	42
CHAPTER 11		8	33	14	55
CHAPTER 12			1	19	20
CHAPTER 13			1	34	34/35
CHAPTER 14			1	26	27
CHAPTER 15				20	20
CHAPTER 16				24	24
CHAPTER 17			1	27	28
CHAPTER 18		5	2	71	78
TOTAL VERSES	1	41	85	574	700/701

# What is SANKHYA YOGA ?

**1**

**Sāñ, meaning  
“complete,”**

**+**

**khyā, meaning  
“to know.”**

**So Sāṅkhyā means the “complete analytical knowledge of something.”**

**2**

**Sāñ, meaning  
“GOOD,”**

**+**

**khyā, meaning  
“INTELLIGENCE.”**

**So Sāṅkhyā means Atma jnana  
the “The knowledge related to ATMA or SOUL is SANKHYA .”  
It teaches the discriminative knowledge which enables  
to distinguish between spirit and matter**

**3**

**Sankhya means number – the twenty four or ninety six phenomenal modifications,  
and reject them all as non-eternal, and find out the Eternal witness  
of all Nature is what is called Samkhya Vidya.**

## Connection to chapter 1

**It, is when you are in a desperate situation that  
you call upon the Lord,  
forgetting your pride and your egoism. .  
Griefs a friendly reminder,  
a good taskmaster and an even better teacher  
than joy.**

**Krishna had two jobs on His hands -  
firstly to destroy Arjuna s delusion, and  
secondly to make him get up and fight. ..**



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## The 24 Tattvas or Evolutes of Nature

PRAKRITI  
BUDDHI  
AHAM  
MANAS

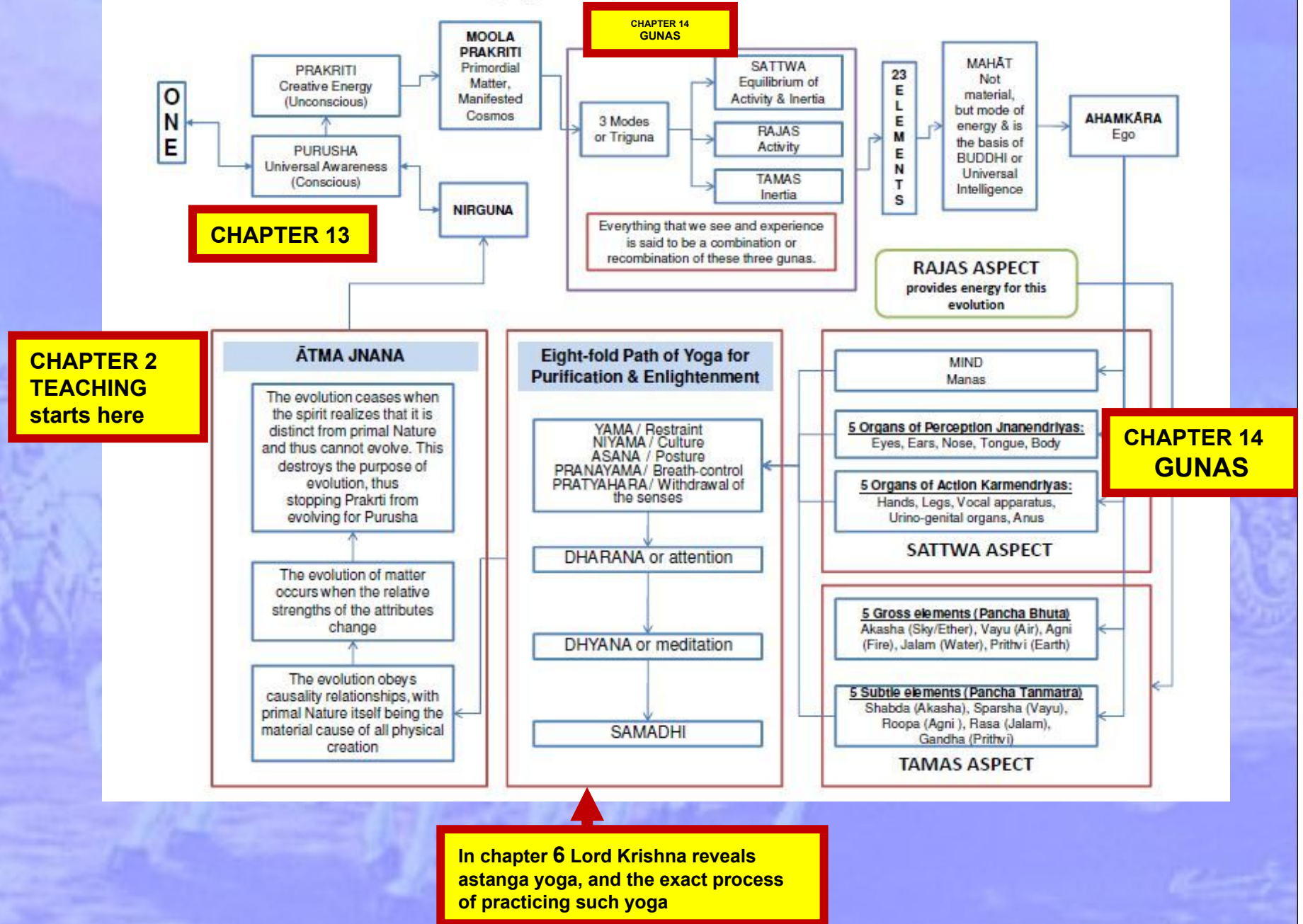


5 JNAENDRIYAS  
5 KARMENDRIYAS  
5 TANMATRAS  
5 MAHABHUTAS

The gunas are pervasive in all the tattvas and hence not counted separately



# SĀNKHYA YOGA (साङ्ख्य योग) - EVOLUTION TO INVOLUTION/DISSOLUTION



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**AS PER B G TILAK**

**GITA SUPPORTS ONLY ONE PATH**  
**KARMA YOGA BASED ON KNOWLEDGE**  
**IN WHICH DEVOTION IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR.**

**GITA SANKHYA PHILOSOPHY**

**SPIRITUAL KNOWLEDGE**

**WORLDLY KNOWLEDGE**

**DEVOTION IS INCIDENTAL FOR SUPPLEMENTING & SUPPORTING**

**EXPOSITION OF PATH OF KARMA YOGA**

## chapter 2,3

**Sankhya Yoga**  
(Path of wisdom)

*Attitude of mind by cultivating it.*  
*Discrimination,*  
*Wisdom*

**Karma Yoga**  
(Yoga of *Disinterested Action*)

*Attitude of mind view point of Karma*  
*Yoga.*  
***Disinterested Action***

*Action alone is your province and not*  
*the fruits thereof*  
*not driven by petty desires*

*When a man has a right for engaging in Karma,*  
*he has a right also for the fruit; no one can deny this or refuse his right. **But the***  
***doer can, out of his own free will and determination, refuse to be affected by***  
***the result, whether favourable or unfavourable.***

*» there is nothing immoral in aspiring for the rewards of one's actions or effort,*  
*If you have an eye on the fruits of your actions, you are liable to be affected by*  
*vorry, anxiety and restlessness.*



# BODY MIND INTELLECT CHART BY SWAMI CHINMAYA



॥ कर्मण्येवाधिकारस्ते मा फलेषु कदाचन ॥

**Single essential power, an inward urge,  
which we may call the longing for freedom**

**WHAT IS THE PROBLEM ?**

**VASANAS FROM PREVIOUS BIRTHS**

**ONE DESIRE BECOMES MANY**

**MIND**

**ACTIVITIES OF SENSES**

**Sensory desires,  
Mental desires,  
Intellectual desires,  
Social desires, etc**

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## The message of GITA

The man is the conglomerate of BODY( Including senses) + Mind + ATMA (SOUL)

MAN

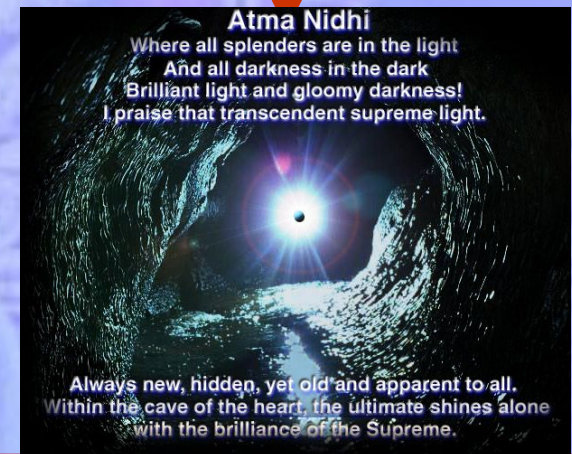
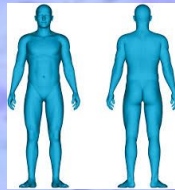
DEHATMA BUDDHI

DAIVATMA BUDDHI

IF HE FOLLOWS ONLY THE  
BODY

IF HE FOLLOWS ONLY THE  
BODY + MIND

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ATMA



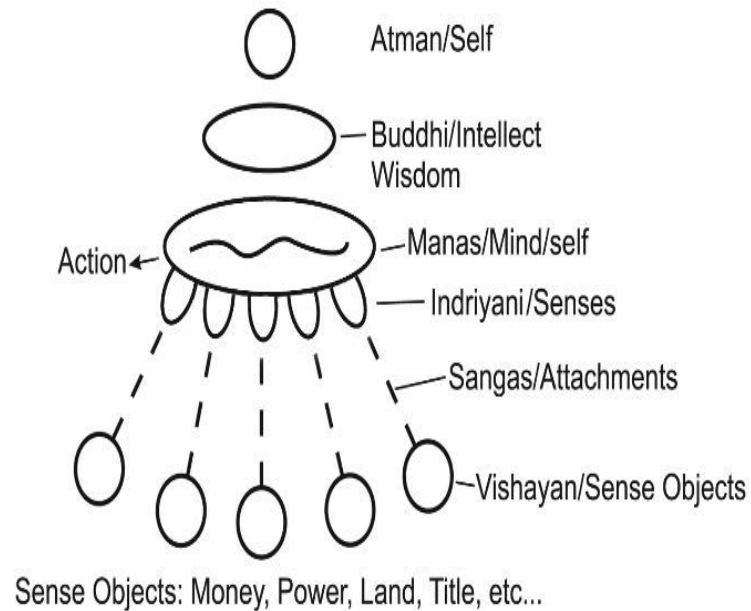
*He will descend to the  
level of an **ANIMAL***

*He is in danger of  
being transformed in  
to a **DEMON***

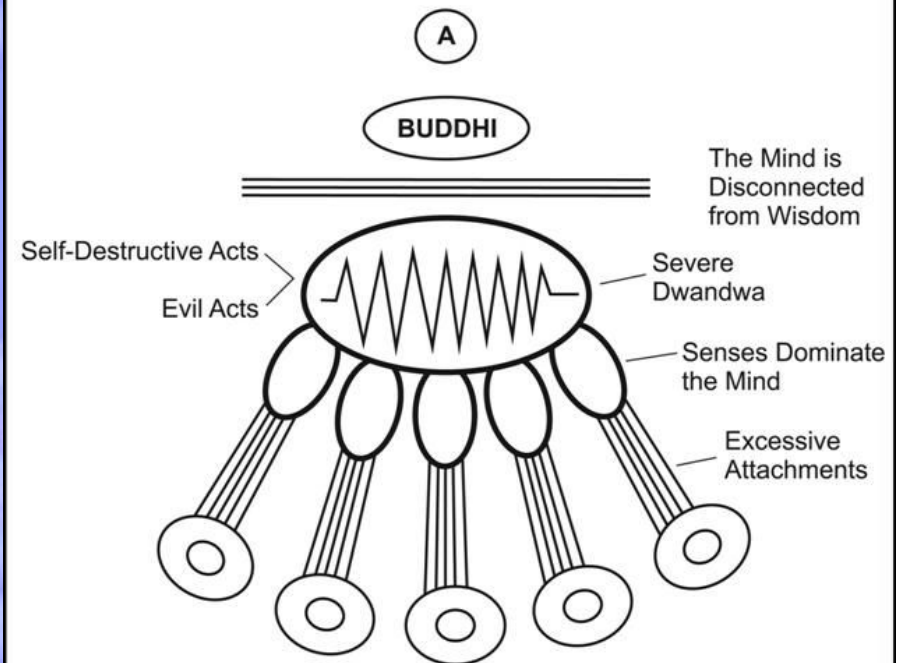
*His only option is to  
follow the **ATMA**  
He needs constant  
reminder to stay tuned  
to **ATMA**.*



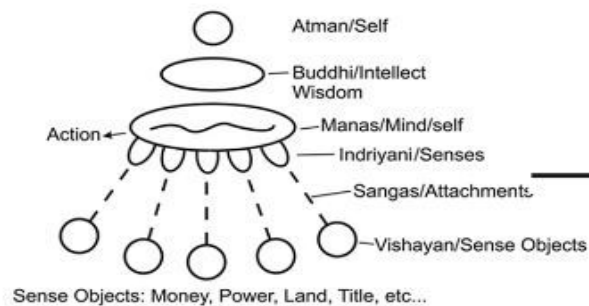
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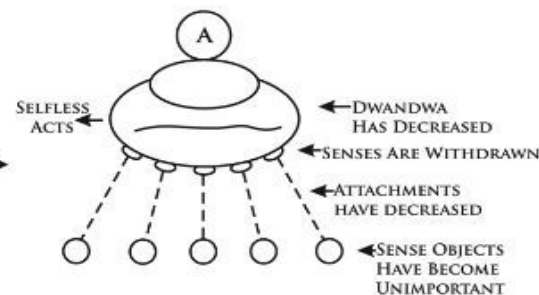
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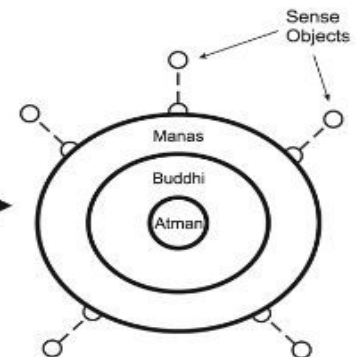
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### The Mind of a Practicing Yogi



### The Self-Realized Mind



## Chapter 2---Basically everything that is described in BG - but briefly

This chapter is a summary of the whole text.  
It mentions:

Vedas -----2.42-43, 45, 53  
soul -----2.11-30  
transmigration- 2.13, 22, 27  
modes -----2.45  
karma kanda ---2.31-37  
karma yoga----- 2.38-53  
jnana yoga----- 2.11-30  
bhakti yoga-----2.49-51, 61, 64  
sense control-----2.54-72  
intelligence-----2.41, 44

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## Five main reasons for not fighting

### 5 ARGUMENTS OF ARJUNA

1.  
**Compassion**  
(1.27- 28)

2.  
**Enjoyment** - Arjuna feels he won't be able to enjoy if relatives dead (1.31-35 & 2.7-8)

3.  
Destruction of family - proper religious functions will be stopped (1.37-43)

4.  
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5.  
Indecision - which is better- conquering or being conquered? (2.6)

C

E

D

F

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**Arjuna's doubts (1.27-46)**  
(Some relate to Chapter 2 - nos. 2,4,5)  
**5 ARGUMENTS OF ARJUNA**

**1.**  
**Compassion**  
Arjuna's change  
of mind leading  
to **attachment**  
(Raga)  
(1.27- 28)

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(Raga)**

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**Loss of Enjoyment -**  
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(1.31-35 & 2.7-8)  
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**Delusion (Moha)**

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**Krishna's answers**

**2.11-2.30**

**2.31-2.32**

**2.45-46  
3.24**

**2.33 -2.37**

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### KRISHN'S ARGUMENT AT 3 LEVELS

**B - Jnana**  
**The philosophical  
argument:**  
(2.11-30)

The Self is immortal  
(11-25)

The Self is not a thing,  
but a process (26-30)

**C - Karma-Yoga**  
**The argument from  
dharma**  
(2.31-37)

Heavenly reward,  
reputation, and earthly  
reward (31-37)

Dispassionate action (38)

**D - Buddhi yoga/samadhi**  
**The argument from Yoga:**  
(niskama karma yoga)  
(2.38-53)

Theory and practice  
(39-41)

Vedic action (42-46)  
Nishkama karma (47-53)  
The Sage of Stable Mind  
(54-72)

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1. Death is just a matter of the soul changing bodies, so it's not a big thing. (2.11-13, & 2.16-25)

2. Performance of duty must not be affected by sense perceptions (2.14-15) (Includes the basic principle of yoga - detachment)

3. Soul can't be killed and body can't be saved, so fight! (2.26-30)

### 2. 11-13

**2.11.** Krishna again shows He doesn't appreciate Arjuna's ideas - calls him a fool. "The wise don't do what you are doing, so you are not wise."  
**2.12.** Establishes personal nature of spiritual life right at beginning of BG.  
**2.13.** Arjuna was so worried about killing Bhishma, Drona etc., but Krishna is saying "you won't be killing them." Arjuna might say that that is ok, but my relationship with them is while they're in these bodies. If they leave these bodies and go away then I'll miss their association, even if they are eternal.

### 2. 16-25

**2.16.** Another slap - you are not seer of the truth. Actually "eternal" as nature of soul, and "non-existent" as nature of body are explained in the next two verses.  
**2.17.** Soul is eternal.  
**2.18.** Body is temporary (has no real standing, changes when it is 'existing,' so is called "non-existent.")  
**2.19.** Soul is neither the doer, nor is action done to him.  
**2.20.** Krishna gives very clear definition of the soul.  
na jayate na mriyate — no birth or death  
nayam bhutva — never came into being  
bhavita — will come into being  
bhuyah — will again come into being  
aja — unborn  
nityah — eternal  
sasvatah — permanent  
puranah — oldest  
**2.21.** Arjuna agrees that soul is eternal etc., but says "I don't want to be the cause of them changing bodies." Krishna replies that "you are not going to be able to stop them changing bodies by not fighting."  
**2.22-25** Continues basic definition of the soul. Krishna says: "The body can be taken to be like cloth. Bhiṣma's body is like old cloth, and we are talking only of exchanging it for new cloth. So there's no fault." there is some repetition here to remove doubts

### 2. 14-15

**2.14.** Krishna says, "so you have to be tolerant. These things happen anyway."  
**2.15.** This is the basic principle of yoga — detachment. Essential in all yogas.

### 2. 26-30

A change of subject to make the same point from a different point of view.

**2.26.** This is a type of "checkmate" by Krishna - "if you think there is a soul you should fight. And if you think there is no soul, that we are only bodies, you should also fight." Krishna is bringing this up because there is always a class of philosopher who is like the Buddhist - don't believe in soul, but can't deny "symptoms of life."  
In BG we find Krishna is defeating all opposing philosophies - all the other opinions found in the Vedas, plus even non-Vedic viewpoints.)  
**2.27.** From point of view of those who accept soul.  
**2.28.** From point of view of those who don't accept soul.  
**2.29.** "Amazing" verse.  
**2.30** Summarizes basic points of this section.



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### KARMA YOGA 2.31 TO 37

**2.31.** Vedic system is that one performs one's duties in varnasrama one gets higher birth.

**2.32.** This the goal of karma-kanda.

**2.33.** Verse 32 showed gains coming from following Vedic duties. Verse 33 shows losses coming from not following - he'll incur sin. He'll also lose his reputation.

Next 4 verses stress the same thing.

**2.34.** Honour very important to a ksatriya.

**2.35.** You say you don't want to fight out of compassion, because you don't want to cause them pain, but a ksatriya looks for opportunities to fight. He's happy if such an opportunity comes unsought. So they'll think you're just a sissy.

**2.36.** *Your enemies scorn your prowess*

**2.37.** Arjuna had said that I don't want to fight and win because there'll be no one to enjoy the kingdom with, and I don't want to fight and lose because then I'll be dead. So if I win I lose, and if I lose I'll lose.

But here Krishna is saying that if you win you win, and if you lose you win. Brilliant logic on Krishna's part.

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1. Freedom from sinful reaction through fighting in detached spirit, or in Krishna consciousness. (38-41, 47-51)

2.38-41

sakama karma yoga

Not fight simply out of duty - that would be more like niskama karma yoga.

2.47-51

47. Not karma kanda but jnana kanda

48. Equanimity /detachment is essence of yoga.

49. Krishna recommending a personal goal - "saranam" - surrender, can only be done to a person.

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50. It frees you from accumulated sinful reactions

51. You achieve liberation - Jnirmuktah

2. Rise above karma kanda sections of Vedas, by knowing the ultimate goal of the Vedas. (42-46, 52-53)

2.42-46 re rising above karma kanda.

sakama karma yoga

42-43. First mention of the Vedas.

sense gratification  
No spiritual advancement.

44. sense gratification, No spiritual advancement

45. First mention of the modes.

46. Vedas is not sense gratification but liberation

2.52 - 53

52. Here karma kanda called "dense forest of delusion."

53. Karma kanda a disturbance.

## There are two kinds of conscious action.

we do something because of what we expect to get out of it.  
2.42-46

we do something because it is the thing to do, not because of what we get from it.  
2.47-53

### SAKAMA KARMA

**Verses 42–46:** Those who interpreted the Vedas that way were kamatmana (43: “with desire for self”), that is persons who identified themselves (atma) with their desires (kama). So the Vedas were associated with performing ritual sacrifices, with the aim of influencing the gods to get something from them.

Thus, Vedic action becomes a synonym for acting with the expectation of getting something for ourselves.

### NISHKAMA KARMA 2.47-53

In **verse 47**, he gives Arjuna a neat summary statement of Karma Yoga and the solution to the third aspect of Arjuna’s dilemma about how to act successfully, that is, without being bound by the results of one’s action:

**It doesn’t make any difference whether you succeed or fail. Yoga is equanimity” (48)**

Action has to be guided by the insight that leads to union (49). We must act out of an understanding of who we truly are. Yoga is skill in action (50), which comes from the insight of buddhi.



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**A-Symptoms: Experiencing pleasure of self through having renounced all types of material desires. (2.55)**

**B-Speak: How are his mind + words affected by others? (2.56-57)**

**C-Sit: How is his mind when he's restrained from sense objects? (2.58-63)**

**D-Walk: How does he act? Fixed in intelligence through detachment (2.64-65) Connected with Supreme because of renunciation (2.66-71)**

**6. Conclusion: He goes back to Godhead. 2.66-71**

General symptoms (how do we see that he is transcendental?)  
Because of these symptoms he is called "sthita prajna" - transcendently situated.

**Sit. (2.58-63)**  
He sits like a tortoise  
58. He's fully detached.

**2.59** through positive engagement, not just stopping acting.

**2.60.** control the mind and senses overpower you.  
fault in jnana marg - even intelligent man pulled away by sense..Jnana nistha is very difficult. Senses are so strong they subdue even knowledge. Senses are like thieves. Determination is like treasure. One must protect.  
**2.61.** Be situated in Me (Mat-parah) Controlling senses without dovetailing brings distress.  
62-63. If can't control they fall down badly

**Part 1.** He's detached and fully satisfied, not affected by maya. (2.64-65)

**2.64.** Very important — prasadam — mercy

**2.65.** After achieving that mercy one transcends the modes.

**Part 2.** Connected to the Supreme because of his renunciation (66-71)

**66-68** describe problems of those who don't achieve this.

**2.69.** Spiritualists and materialists living in different worlds

**2.70-72.** If you do like this you'll go back to Godhead

The movement from desire to destruction can be illustrated as under:  
Brooding on the objects of senses

GITA 2.62 & 63

attachment

desire

anger

delusion

loss of memory

loss of reason

utter ruin





Ignorance -->  
confused understanding

feeling of "I" and "Mine"  
(ahamkara and mamakara)

sorrow and delusion  
(shoka and moha)

overpowering of  
discriminative faculty

**Attachment is  
bondage**

"The root of  
suffering is  
attachment"  
The Buddha



perform work disinterestedly without asking for results thereof because desire for the result of works is the chain that binds men and drags them into the den of delusion or *maya*.

Recognizing emotions as thought ripples develops witness attitude. Holding on to witness attitude develops detachment from the emotions increasing inner happiness. Detachment is mere observation without passionate reaction.

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**Detachment is freedom**



## HOW TO CONTROL THE RESTLESS MIND ?

### 1. Why should one control one's mind?

The mind uncontrolled, is one's worst enemy causing great sorrow and bondage. So, one must control one's mind.

#### **BG 2.67:**

Just as a strong wind sweeps a boat off its chartered course on the water, even one of the senses on which the mind focuses can lead the intellect (discrimination) astray.

### 2. How can one control one's mind?

By practice and by renunciation. **6.35**

"Undoubtedly, O mighty-armed, the mind is difficult to control and is restless; but, by practice, O Son of Kunti, and by dispassion it is restrained

### 3. How can one practice 'concentration of mind'?

One can gain single pointedness by dropping all one's agitation-causing desires and then, with an extra strength in one's mind, withdraw one's attention to the Self.

**6.25**

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"Abandoning without reserve all desires born of SANKALPA, and completely restraining the whole group of senses by the mind from all sides, Little by little, let him attain quietude by his intellect, held firm; having made the mind established in the self, let him not think of anything."

### 4. What to do if mind is very fickle and unsteady?

Start now and strengthen it by practice. **6.26**

**6.26** "From whatever cause the restless and the unsteady mind wanders away, from that let him restrain it, and bring it back to be under the control of the Self alone."

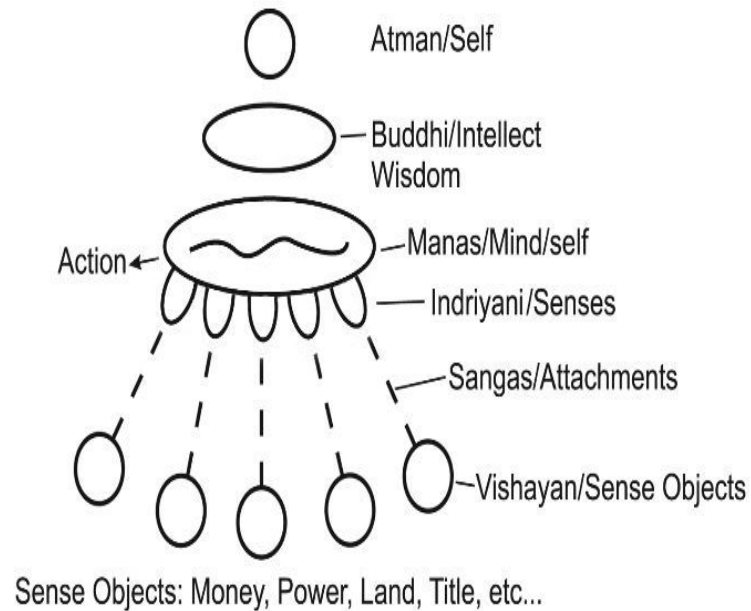
### 5. What is the ultimate in mind-control?

To rest in knowledge of Brahman

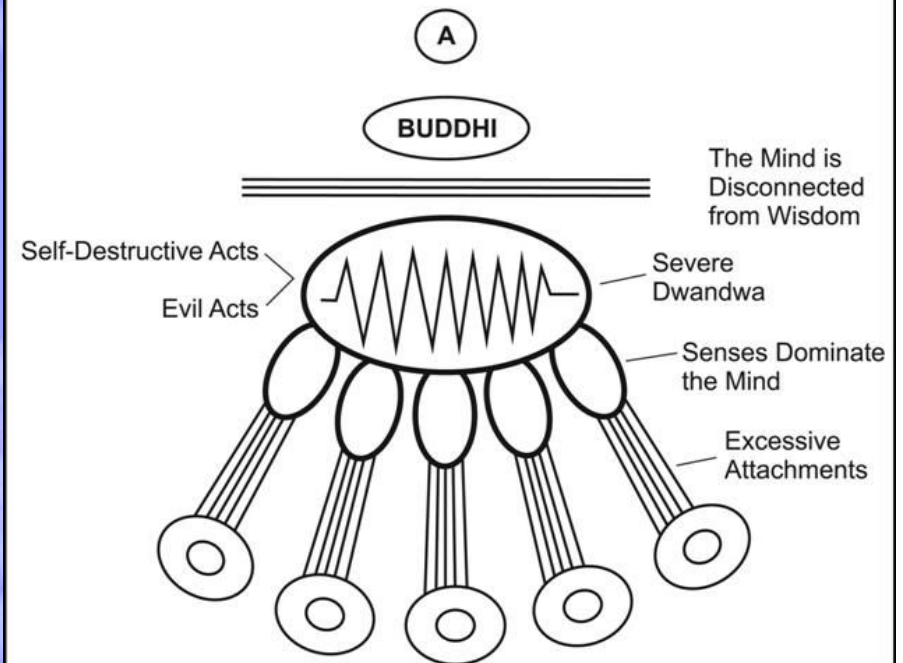
**5.19**

**5.19** "Even here (in this world) birth (everything) is overcome by those whose minds rest in equality. Brahman is spotless indeed, and equal, therefore they are established in Brahman."

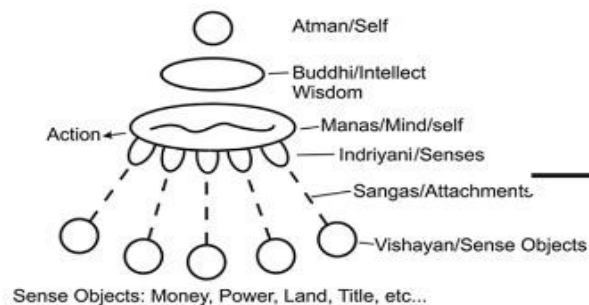
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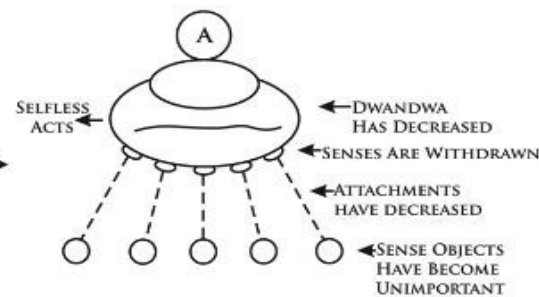
## The Stressed or Entangled Mind



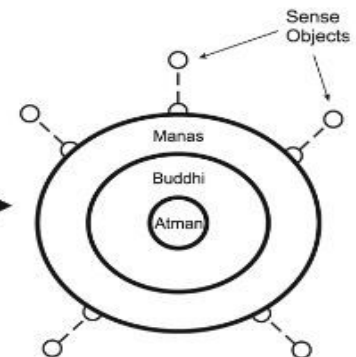
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### The Mind of a Practicing Yogi



### The Self-Realized Mind



This part of the Gita – from 54 to 72 verses describing the qualities of the sthltaprajna is very important.

#### 4 Questions asked by Arjuna in 2 ,v 54

1. Desireless, Satisfied in the Self.-----2.55
  - General symptoms (Answered in 2.55)
2. Situational Stability - **PARISTHITI** -----2.56
  - How does he speak (Answered in 2.56-2.57)
3. Emotional Stability - **MANASTHITI** ---2.57
4. Perfect Self Control -----2.58-61
  - How does he sit (Answered in 2.58-2.59)
  - (58-61 Sense & mind control)
5. In state of Tranquility ----- 2.64,65,68
  - How does he walk (Answered in 2.64-2.71)
  - ( 66 Importance of meditation)
  - (2.67, what happens if not meditated)
6. Established in fullness of ego ----- 2.69
7. Oneness with Brahman. 2.71-72

The next two verses, 2.62 & 2.63 tells how a person falls down from the ideal by having or developing attached to the sensory system.



**Saadhana for  
Quietening the Mind**  
B.G. 6.35  
Patanjali YS 1.12

**Abhyaasa** (Patanjali YS 1.13)  
Generating Centripetal force  
by cultivating awareness of  
Universal Identity

**Vairaagya** (BG 2.64)  
Reducing Centrifugal force  
by sublimating *raaga-dvesha*

**Meditational**  
Focusing inward to  
be Self-seated  
(BG 3.43)

**Interactional**  
Brahma-vichaara  
to find One in  
everything (V Ch 521  
*brahma-pratyaya ...*)

**Spiritual Saadhana means :**  
Generating centripetal force towards our inmost identity, and  
Reducing centrifugal force that throws us away from the inmost anchor.

# “ VAIRAGYA ”

“ VI “  
is “apart from.”

+

“ RAGA “  
“COLOR,”

“SAM “  
comes from a root  
meaning  
“join together.”

And colors are always associated with emotions.  
We are in the pink when we are happy and  
see red when angry.  
We are in a blue mood when sad, or  
a black mood when despairing, or  
a gray mood when depressed.  
We are in a brown study when distracted.  
We are green with envy or yellow when cowardly,  
or purple with rage.  
Clairvoyants tell us that when we are overpowered by an emotion, our auras are  
flushed with a color corresponding to that emotion.  
So then we perceive and respond to the world through that emotional coloration.  
Then we are not seeing the world as it is, but as we have colored it with our  
emotion.

So virāga or vairāgya is being “apart from emotional coloration.” It is seeing the world as it is, not as our emotions make it appear to us. **We are back to good old tattvatah, the way things really are. If we make a continued effort to see things as they are, not as our emotions color them, we can learn to control our mind. That is what Krishna tells Arjuna.**

॥ OM TAT SAT ॥



Om- let all the deficiencies of this PPT go away  
Tat- let this give Bhagavan great happiness  
Sat- let this give true lasting benefits

**OM SHANTI**  
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